

Senate leaves positive mark on state's 2006 budget with additional money for children, jobs

embers of the Senate voted this week to make major improvements to the 2006 supplemental budget, making good on their promise to invest in Georgia's future. Voting 52-1, the Senate sent its changes back to the House for review, but not before adding \$3.6 million to the current fiscal year budget for those *Katie Beckett Waiver* families who are no longer eligible for services under the federal program.

"The families who have children with disabilities who need these waivers — they are hurting," Sen. **Regina Thomas** of the 2nd said as she introduced an amendment to House Bill 1026 putting money in the budget to make up for the loss of federal dollars. "They feel that all hope is lost because of what we have done in this state."

"I'm glad we could find the money to put into the supplemental budget," Senate Appropriations Chairman **Jack Hill** of the 4th said. "We originally thought we'd have to find about \$15 million – and that wasn't doable, but it wasn't too hard to find \$3.6 million to help these families out."

The Senate also added \$2 million for books and materials to be distributed to each library system throughout the state.

"Research shows Georgia's public libraries improve the quality of life for all Georgians. They encourage reading, literacy and education. This investment provides the libraries with needed funds to improve their collections and resources," Sen. **Bill Stephens** of the 27th said after the vote.

The Senate also added \$5 million for job growth, including nanotechnology research at Georgia Tech and Emory, and \$500,000 for international trade efforts including a new office in China to strengthen trade relations.

"The state's investments in economic development bore fruit and will continue to bring additional jobs and revenue to Georgia," boasted Senate Economic Development Chairman **Jeff Mullis** of the $53^{\rm rd}$. "The Georgia Department of Economic Development's Global Commerce division reported that it helped 182 companies in 2005 to either expand or locate facilities in Georgia, compared to 151 companies it worked with in 2004—a 20.5 percent increase. The announced projects mean 15,902 new jobs for Georgians—an increase of more than 35 percent from last year."

Other additions to the budget include:

• Provide \$500,000 in grants to assist Sheriffs in the implementation of courthouse security plans

Following the tragic deaths in the Fulton County Courthouse last year, Georgians awoke to the need for greater security in these buildings. This \$500,000 investment will help fund the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan for the security of county courthouses across the state.

Provide 25 additional cars for State troopers

Georgia state troopers play a key role in keeping the State safe. They investigate automobile crashes and enforce traffic and criminal laws on the State's roads. These additional cars are necessary for them to effectively and efficiently perform their duties.

 Provide \$500,000 for the Paul Coverdell Eminent Scholar Program at GCSU

Georgia's Eminent Scholar program recruits renowned scientists from many parts of the world adding prestige and scholarship to Georgia's Institutions of higher learning. The post will be housed at Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville.

"By improving the budget to invest more in our libraries, job growth, courthouse security, state troopers and the *Coverdell Eminent Scholar Program*, we are making changes that will benefit all Georgians," said Senate Majority Leader **Tommie Williams** of 19th. "Adding the money for the *Katie Beckett Waivers*, which will affect about 1,000 Georgia children, was the right thing to do."

President Pro Tempore **Eric Johnson** of 1st added, "By focusing on education, job growth and public safety, Republicans are keeping their word to Georgia voters that these issues are important and deserve our attention. We are confident in these proposals, and we will work with Governor **Perdue** and the Republican House to keep these items in the budget to invest in Georgia's future."

Senate votes to give state flags to widows of fallen public safety officers



egislation that will provide state flags to honor Georgia public safety officers who are killed in the line of duty passed the Senate this week, 52-0.

Senate Bill 381, sponsored by Sen. **Seth Harp** of the 29th, will recognize and honor the men and women who have dedicated their lives to the public safety of the citizens of this state. The bill requires



that if requested, the Secretary of State shall furnish a state flag to the family of a qualifying public safety officer killed in the line of duty, which may be displayed at the funeral service for the fallen officer. If passed by the House and signed by the Governor, the legislation will take effect July 1, 2006.

Senate passes biodiesel fuel legislation

he state Senate approved legislation that would require the use of biodiesel fuels in certain vehicles operated by state and local governments by 2008. Senate Bill 453, sponsored by Sen. **Brian Kemp** of the 47th, passed the full Senate by a vote of 52 to 4.

"This is no longer just an issue of cleaner air and lower energy prices," Sen. **Kemp** said after the bill passed. "This is a small step in the effort to curtail our dependence on foreign oil. The legislation also benefits Georgia businesses that produce biodiesel, and Georgia farmers who produce the materials used to create biodiesel fuel."

Senate Bill 453 requires that at least two percent of the total volume of diesel fuel purchased annually by state and local governments be biodiesel fuel by 2008. The legislation also includes an exemption from this requirement if the cost of biodiesel blended fuels exceeds 105 percent of the cost of regular diesel fuel.

Having passed the Senate, the bill now heads to the House of Representatives for approval.

Ewing Sworn in as new Senate Secretary



he Georgia Senate elected **Bob Ewing** Secretary of the Senate last week. **Ewing**, who succeeds **Frank Eldridge**, Jr., most recently served as assistant secretary of the Senate.

"It is a bittersweet task to stand before you to make this nomination today," Senate President Pro Tempore **Eric Johnson** of the 1st said last Thursday as he nominated **Ewing** for the position, which is elected every two years by the full Senate. "As assistant secretary, **Bob** helped make all of our lives a bit easier — advising us on parliamentary questions and overseeing the flow of legislation between the both Houses of the legislature."

"His knowledge and commitment to the Senate's rules and traditions are unparalleled and his dedication to the Senate is unmatched."

A true American success story, **Ewing** began his career at the State Capitol as an intern for the Secretary of Senate's Office and has worked his entire 27 year career for the Georgia Senate. He has served under Governors **George Busbee**, **Joe Frank Harris**, **Zell Miller**, **Roy Barnes** and **Sonny Perdue**.

A native of New England, he earned his political science degree in 1976 from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He is responsible for modernizing the production of the Senate Journal on the computer, and developing the layout and design of the Senate voting system.

Bob is an avid outdoorsman and dedicated father. His son **Ben**, who attends Pace Academy was in the Senate Chamber when **Ewing** was sworn in as the new Secretary of the Senate. His daughter **Jess** attends Auburn University.

In Committee Action...

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs

On Tuesday, February 14, Chairman **John Bulloch** of the 11th called the Committee to order for a hearing on *Senate Bill 487*, sponsored by Sen. **Don Balfour** of the 9th. Sen. **Balfour** explained that the legislation requires that cigarettes must be certified by the Safety Fire Commissioner in order to sell them in Georgia. He noted the high number of fires and related deaths and injuries related to cigarettes and urged support of the bill. Following questions from Committee members, a number of speakers came forward to support or oppose the legislation. Opposing the bill and noting the decline in sales in New York where the law is already on the books, **Jim Tudor**, president of the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores, said the change would drive consumers out of state or to the Internet. Also speaking in opposition were **Jim Gould** and **Rusty Kidd**, representing the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, and **Don Cargill**, representing the Phillip Morris Company. Speaking in support of the bill were **Andy Ward** with the American Cancer Society, **June Dean**, representing the American Lung Association, and **Gordon Graves**, president of Georgians Against Smoking Pollution (GASP). Sen. **Balfour** concluded the hearing by urging the Committee to support his legislation.

Appropriations

Chairman **Jack Hill** of the 4th called the meeting to order on Monday, February 13. He then spoke to the Senate Appropriations Committee Substitute to *House Bill 1026*, a bill that provides supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 2005-2006. Sen. **Hill** noted a \$2 million grant to public libraries, HERO scholarships, funds for courthouse security and other changes. He called on subcommittee chairs to identify specific Senate changes in the Governor's and the House's versions of the amended budget. Following the reports, President Pro Tempore **Eric Johnson** of 1st yielded to question from Sen. **Steve Thompson** of 33rd regarding the budget of the Department of Insurance. A motion was then made to pass the Committee Substitute and the motion was seconded. The Committee Substitute passed unanimously.

Banking and Financial Institutions

Secretary **Ralph Hudgens** of the 47th called the meeting to order on Monday, February 13. Senator **John Bulloch** of the 11th spoke to *Senate Bill 535*, which provides tighter restrictions on the title pawn industry, requires title pawn lenders to register with the Governor's Office of Consumer Affairs and notifies borrowers before repossessing their vehicles. Chairman **Bill Hamrick** of the 30th, also a sponsor of the bill, then further explained the legislation. He emphasized consumer education as important topic in discussing this legislation. Sen. **Hamrick** said he expects a Committee vote on the bill soon.

Sen. **Hamrick** called another meeting to order on Wednesday, February 15, to outline new changes to *SB 535*. These changes include requiring pawnbrokers to send written notice via certified mail instead of mail prior to repossession. The Committee then heard comments from audience members, who offered proposed changes to the legislation for consideration. Sen. **Hamrick** said further action on the bill would be taken at a later date.

Economic Development and Tourism

Chairman **Jeff Mullis** of the 53rd called the meeting to order on Wednesday, February 15, to consider two bills. The Committee first heard a presentation from the Department of Economic Development and Tourism on its current marketing strategy. Director of Marketing **Loretta Lepore** gave the presentation, highlighting the latest economic development initiatives in Georgia. Sen. **Mullis** then presented *Senate Bill 445*, which assigns the Civil War Commission to the Department of Economic Development and Tourism for administrative purposes. *SB 445* passed by a unanimous vote. Sen. **Mullis** also presented *SB 545*, which is legislation that defines a non-profit, tax-exempt organization in relation to proceeds from bingo games. This legislation also passed through unanimously. Sen. **Joseph Carter** of the 13th offered the findings of the subcommittee on *SB 414*, known as the Rural Georgia Economic Development Act of 2006. Sen. **Carter** moved to bring the

bill back to the full Committee. He stated that the legislation is very close to being perfected. There was no objection. Sen. **Mullis** then asked the bill's sponsor, Sen. **Cecil Staton** of the 18th, to continue meeting with representatives of the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) and others to further perfect the bill.

Education and Youth

The Committee met on Tuesday, February 14, to consider several pieces of legislation. First, Chairman Dan Moody of the 56th paused to commend participants of the Capitol Page program, who were present in the audience. Senator **Chip Rogers** of the 21st then presented the Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 288, which is known as the Grade Integrity Act of 2006. The bill provides that no classroom teacher shall be required, coerced or intimidated in any manner to change the grade of a student. The bill passed unanimously by Substitute. Sen. Ronnie Chance of the 16th presented SB 424, which provides for up to five excused absences per school year for a student whose parent is in a military service, and has been called to duty or is on leave from overseas deployment to a combat zone. Sen. Joseph **Carter** of the 13th recommended adding language to the bill to include legal guardians. The legislation was amended to include legal guardians in its language, and it then passed by Substitute by a unanimous vote. Sen. **Carter** then presented *SB 474*, known as the *Student* Health and Fitness Act. The bill would require 150 minutes per week of physical activity in grades K-5 and 225 minutes per week in grades 6-8. The legislation goes on to provide for school health advisory councils, standards for the certification of Physical Education teachers, and the establishment of an office within the Department of Education to oversee the implementation of school PE programs. Representatives of several groups spoke in favor of the bill, including the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Georgia YMCAs and others. Jocelyn Whitefield of Georgia Association of Educators (GAE) recommended changes to the bill, which would perfect language regarding the establishment of professional standards for PE instructors. The Committee discussed the bill's effect on local school systems at length, and it ultimately passed by Substitute with a 5 to 1 vote.

Ethics

The Senate Ethics Committee did not meet this week.

Finance

On Tuesday, February 13, Chairman Casey Cagle of the 49th called the meeting to order to discuss several pieces of legislation. Rep. **Chuck Martin** of the 47th discussed his bill, *House* Bill 194, which provides for income tax credits with respect to teleworking for a limited period of time. Randy Keith with the Technology Leadership Coalition; Jason Rooks with the Georgia Conservancy, Hunter Hopkins, Vice President for Governmental Affairs of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, and Alan Essig, Executive Director of the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute all spoke in favor of the bill. After some questions from the Committee, the bill passed out unanimously. Senate Bill 525, authored by Sen. Tommie Williams of the 19th, was introduced on his behalf by Mike Vaquer and Jean McRae with the Vaquer Firm representing Georgia tax commissioners. The bill would amend the Georgia Code relating to the issuance of tax executions. Following discussion, the bill was passed out of Committee unanimously. HB 1107 was introduced by Rep. Jay Roberts of the 154th, who explained that the legislation would provide tax credits for land conservation. Hans Newhauser of the Georgia Land Trust Service Center spoke in favor of the bill. Senate Resolution 34 was introduced by Sen. Cagle, who explained the legislation would allow the use of sales and use taxes for educational purposes not only for school construction but also for maintenance and operations. Sen. Bill Heath of the 31st offered an amendment to the resolution. Sen. **Emanuel Jones** of the 10th spoke in opposition to both the resolution and the amendment. The resolution passed out of committee with a vote of 5 to 1.

Health and Human Services

On Wednesday, February 15, Chairman **Don Thomas** of the 54th called the meeting to order to discuss two bills. *Senate Bill 480* was introduced by sponsor Sen. **Renee Unterman** of the 45th, which would allow the delegation of certain nursing tasks to qualified medication aides. **Gina Simpson**, Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR) Deputy Director, spoke on behalf of the bill, as did **Mary Lou Rahn** and **Roberta Schulte** with DHR's

Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Addictive Diseases. After some discussion and changes, *SB 480* passed unanimously as a Committee Substitute. Sen. **Jim Whitehead, Sr.** of the 24th introduced *SB 123*, which would prohibit a pharmacist for being terminated from his job, whether it is with an independent or chain pharmacy, hospital, or other facility, for refusing to fill a prescription for emergency contraceptive drugs because of his personal beliefs. Sen. **Gloria Butler** of the 55th suggested that a word other than "belief" should be used in the language of the bill. A number of individuals then spoke, including **Wayne Oliver,** Vice President for Governmental Affairs with the Georgia Pharmacy Association; Emory professor **Carrie Curiak**; **Shelley Senterfitt** with the Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault; **Frank Mulcahy** with the Georgia Catholic Conference; **Kelli James** with the Georgia Family Council, and Dr. **Tamer Middleton.** Sen. **Thomas** of the 54th said that without a quorum present, the Committee would vote on *SB 123* at the next meeting.

Higher Education

On Monday February 13, Chairman **Seth Harp** of the 29th called the Committee meeting to order. The only bill on the agenda was *Senate Bill 436*, presented by Sen. **Johnny Grant** of the 25th. The bill changes the rules for meetings of the State Board of Technical Education. Current law requires monthly meetings, but often there is not enough business to conduct a full session. The new rules would allow them to suspend several meetings a year if there is not enough business for the board. The Committee unanimously approved the proposal, and was adjourned with no further business.

Insurance and Labor

Chairman **Ralph Hudgens** of the 47th called the meeting to order on Tuesday, February 14. Sen. **Don Balfour** of the 9th introduced *Senate Bill 486*, which exempts the services of direct sellers from the definition of "employment." The Committee then heard from three representatives of direct seller-based organizations and companies. Then a motion was made to pass the bill. Sen. **Seth Harp** of the 29th excused himself from voting. The bill passed unanimously out of Committee. Sen. **Hudgens** introduced *SB 406*, which clarifies definitions of life settlement fraud, definitions of life settlement providers and residency requirements. The bill also defines the grounds and violations on which the Commissioner of Insurance can take action against a life insurance producer. The Committee heard from representatives from Coventry First, Habersham Funding and the Commissioner of Insurance. Sen. **David Shafer** of 48th added an amendment that removes "accredited investor" from the definition of seller. A motion was made to pass, and *SB 406* passed out of Committee by substitute with a 5-2 vote.

Interstate Cooperation

The Senate Interstate Cooperation did not meet this week.

Judiciary

On Thursday, February 9, the Committee met to take up *Senate Resolution 700*. Sen. **Bill Hamrick** of the 30th presented the legislation, which will create and continue the Juvenile Law Commission. The 2005 General Assembly created the Juvenile Law Commission with *SR 161*; however, the work of the commission was not completed before December 31, 2005. *SR 700* recreates the commission, so they can continue their work until December 31, 2006. Also on the Committee's agenda were *Senate Bill 376*, *SB 420* and *House Bill 494*. Chairman **Preston Smith** of the 52nd ruled that the Committee would delay action on these bills so that they could be returned to the authors to perfect language.

The Committee met again on Monday, February 13, and Sen. **Hamrick** presented *SB 522*, also known as "Amy's Law". Current law states that an order committing a delinquent child to the Department of Juvenile Justice remains in effect for two years. This bill makes one significant change to the underlying rule that if the offense would ordinarily result in life imprisonment or death when committed by an adult, then a juvenile may be confined until his or her twenty-first birthday and cannot be discharged unless the court grants a motion for early release. The bill passed unanimously as a Committee Substitute after a few changes by Committee members. Next on the agenda was *SB 530*. Sen. **Dan Weber** of the 40th presented the bill, which adds a new provision that requires mechanic and materialmen liens

be attached to the real property for which the services are furnished. Also, these liens will include the value of any work done to an easement or right-of-way on the property, so long as the work benefits the property. The bill passed unanimously as a Committee Substitute.

On Wednesday, February 15, the Committee met again to take up three bills on its agenda. Chairman **Smith** called on Rep. **Barry Fleming** of the 117th to present *HB 989*, which changes the sunset dates governing the clerks of court and personal property filing fees. The bill passed unanimously. Rep. **Edward Lindsey** of the 54th presented *HB 718*, which will allow the prosecuting attorneys for state courts, probate courts, magistrate courts, municipal courts and any other court that hears criminal cases to create and administer pretrial intervention and diversion programs. After a clarifying definition was inserted, the Committee passed the bill unanimously as a Committee Substitute. Chairman **Smith** then presented *SB 376* on behalf of Sen. **John Douglas** of the 17th. The bill, which had been before the Committee at a previous meeting, provides for jury duty exemptions for spouses and children of deceased military personnel. The bill passed unanimously as a Committee Substitute.

Natural Resources and Environment

The Committee met Monday, February 13, to hear a report on salient features of Georgia natural resources law presented by **Wayne Allen**, Deputy Legislative Counsel.

Public Safety and Homeland Security

Chairman **Brian Kemp** of the 46th called the meeting to order on February 14. The Committee first heard from Sen. **Don Balfour** of the 9th, who presented two bills. *Senate* Bill 489 will place a magnetic sticker that reads "new driver" on cars operated by anyone with a class D license. The Senator said that the sticker would help other drivers spot an inexperienced driver and could help save lives on Georgia roadways. SB 485 would place a similar requirement for a sticker for habitual speeders. Judge Gary Jackson of the Atlanta Municipal Court spoke in support of the bill. Both bills were approved after minor changes by the Committee. SB 462 was presented by Sen. Joseph Carter of the 13th. This bill mandates that Georgia's sheriffs' departments work to create a comprehensive plan for courthouse security. Under the provisions of the bill the State would also help with funding for the creation of these plans. Members of the Georgia Sheriff's Association and the Council of Superior Court Judges spoke in favor of the proposal. Kim Kimbrough with the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia expressed concerns about funding methods for the bill. The bill was passed unanimously. SB~502, which is a comprehensive rewrite of the state's laws covering $\bar{D}UI$, was presented by Sen. Bill Hamrick of the 30^{th} . Several members of the Georgia Criminal Defense Bar spoke against the bill. They believe the changes to the implied consent section of the proposed law could face constitutional challenge. Henry County Solicitor General **Charles Saphos** defended the bill, telling the Committee it is constitutional, and is required to make sure that the State can successfully prosecute DUI offenders. After final statements from Sen. Hamrick, the bill was approved by the Committee.

Reapportionment and Redistricting

The Committee was called to order on Monday, February 13, by Chairman **Chip Rogers** of the 21st. The first bill on the agenda was *House Bill 1137*, which makes minor changes to eight house districts. Sen. **Vincent Fort** of the 39th asked the house members for more information on the exact changes to some districts around Tybee Island. The House Redistricting office advised the Committee that they could make data on the racial distribution available before a full vote on the Senate Floor. The Committee approved the measure by a vote of 9 to 1.

Regulated Industries and Utilities

The Senate Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee did not meet this week.

Retirement

The Senate Retirement Committee will meet on Thursday, February 16, at 2:30 p.m. on Room 310 of the Coverdell Legislative Office Building.

Rules

The Senate Rules Committee met on Wednesday, February 15, and gave a do-pass recommendation to House Bill 978. Sen. Mitch Seabaugh of the 28th amended the legislation prior to the vote.

Science and Technology

Chairman **David Shafer** of the 48th called the meeting to order on Wednesday, February 15. Senator **Ronnie Chance** of the 16th presented *Senate Bill 316*, which prohibits the sale of "prepaid Internet access products" to minors for the purposes of accessing obscene materials. Chairman **Shafer** introduced a Substitute to fix a typographical error. *SB 316* passed out of Committee unanimously by Substitute. Sen. **John Wiles** of the 37th presented *SB 456*, which prohibits the sale or dissemination of mobile phone billing history except by telecommunication carriers. Following questions from the Committee, SB 316 passed out of Committee unanimously. Chairman **Shafer** introduced *SB 455*, which makes it illegal for any telecommunication carrier to distribute the calling history of a Georgia consumer without consent of the consumer or law enforcement/court order documentation. *SB 455* passed unanimously. Sen. **Cecil Staton** of the 18th presented *SB 395*, which prohibits wireless providers from extending contracts if a customer requests a change in level or service. The Committee then heard opposition from representatives of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, Cingular Wireless and Verizon Wireless. A motion was made to return the bill to subcommittee for further study, and that motion passed unanimously.

Special Judiciary

The Committee met Wednesday, February 15, to take up *Senate Bill 419*, which had been before the Committee at a previous meeting. Sen. **Seth Harp** of the 29th presented the Committee Substitute to the bill, which provides a method to recover delinquent child support payments from lottery proceeds of \$2,500 or more. The Committee Substitute passed unanimously.

State and Local Governmental Operations

The State and Local Governmental Operations Committee did not meet this week.

State Institutions and Property

The meeting was called to order on Tuesday, February 14, by Chairman **Johnny Grant** of the 25th. Sen. **Don Balfour** of the 9th presented *Senate Bill 504*, which orders the State Property Commission to be more involved in the sale and lease of state property. The bill was passed through unanimously. Sen. **Don Thomas** of the 54th presented *Senate Resolution 760*, which seeks to rename the Dalton Regional Youth Detention Center's medical clinic to the *Dr. Eddie Marlow Medical Clinic*. Sen. **Thomas** told members that Dr. **Marlow** served in the clinic, providing medical care there. He also worked as a Sunday School teacher and was a member of the Board of Advisors for the facility. Sen. **Thomas** of the 54th said that the name would be a fitting tribute to the service of Dr. **Marlow**. The measure was approved unanimously.

Transportation

The Committee met on Wednesday, February 15, to consider *Senate Resolution 684* and to hear an update on *Senate Bill 431*, which is currently being studied in a subcommittee. Sen. **Jim Whitehead** of the 24th stated that the subcommittee on *SB 431* has met with representatives of several utility companies, but will hold another meeting to perfect the legislation, which aims to expedite the completion of public road projects. Sen. **John Douglas** of the 17th then presented *SR 864*, which dedicates a portion of State Route 81 in Walton County as the *Sergeant Mike Stokely Memorial Highway*. *SR 864* passed unanimously.

Veterans and Military Affairs
The Senate Veterans and Military Affairs Committee will meet on Thursday, February 16, at 2:30 p.m. in Room 307 of the Coverdell Legislative Office Building.

Georgia State Senate First Readers

(Thursday, February 9 – Wednesday, February 15, 2006)

Senate R	<i>esolutions</i>
SR 815	Johnson, Mr. H.F.; commend
	Sen. Tommie Williams (19 th)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 816	Forestry Day at the Capitol; recognize February 15, 2006
	Sens. Ross Tolleson (20th); John Bulloch (11th); Ralph Hudgens (47th)
	and Seth Harp (29 th)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 817	CA: Taxpayers' Dividend Act; restrict amendments that increase
	appropriations
	Sens. David Shafer (48th); Casey Cagle (49th); Chip Rogers (21st);
	Nancy Schaefer (50th); Chip Pearson (51st) and Ronnie Chance (16th)
	Finance Committee — 02/09/06
SR 818	Senate Septage Disposal Study Committee; creating
	Sens. John Bulloch (11th); Ross Tolleson (20th); George Hooks (14th);
	Dan Weber (40th); Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24th);
	Steve Henson (41st) and others
	Natural Resources and the Environment Committee — 02/09/06
SR 819	Lowndes High School Viking football team; commend
	Sen. Tim Golden (8 th)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 820	Lowndes High School Georgia Bridgemen Band; commend
	Sen. Tim Golden (8 th)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 821	Frank Eldridge, Jr.; condolences
	Sens. Eric Johnson (1st); Tommie Williams (19th); Robert Brown (26th);
	Mitch Seabaugh (28th); Dan Moody (56th) and David Adelman (42nd)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 822	Kemp, Rene; condolences
	Sens. Eric Johnson (1st); Tommie Williams (19th); Robert Brown (26th);
	Mitch Seabaugh (28th); Dan Moody (56th);
	David Adelman (42 nd) and others
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 823	Public Property; conveyances; 13 counties
	Sens. Johnny Grant (25th); Bill Stephens (27th); Don Thomas (54th);
	Tim Golden (8th); Tommie Williams (19th); Cecil Staton (18th) and others
	State Institutions and Property Committee — 02/09/06
SR 824	National School Counseling Week; commend
	Sen. Dan Weber (40 th)
	Read and Adopted – 02/09/06
SR 825	Shaw, Phillip; Eagle Scout; commend
-	Sen. Eric Johnson (1st)
	Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 826	Snider, Dr. Jerry; commend
	v

Sen. **Jim Whitehead, Sr**. (24th) *Read and Adopted – 02/13/06*

SR 827	Tam, Neal; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 828	Evans, Liz; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 829	Sandifer, Jennifer; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 830	Pereda, Ann; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 831	Lincoln County High School Red Devils Football Team; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24^{th}) Read and Adopted $ 02/13/06$
SR 832	Snider, Dr. Jerry; commend Sen . Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 833	Eriksen, Jennifer; commend Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 834	Butler, Dr, Yvonne S.; commend Sens. Steen Miles (43 rd); Horacena Tate (38 th); Emanuel Jones (10 th) and Kasim Reed (35 th) <i>Read and Adopted</i> – 02/13/06
SR 835	Georgia National Guard; Company C, 1st Battalion, 121st Infantry Regiment, 48th Infantry Brigade; commend Sens. John Douglas (17 th); Casey Cagle (49 th); Eric Johnson (1 st); Tommie Williams (19 th); Jack Hill (4 th); Cecil Staton (18 th) and others Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 836	Palmer, Michael; commend Sen. Judson Hill (32^{nd}) Read and Adopted $-02/13/06$
SR 837	Lossner, Diana; commend Sen. Judson Hill (32^{nd}) ; Steve Thompson (33^{rd}) and Chip Rogers (21^{st}) Read and Adopted $-02/13/06$
SR 838	Hazardous Waste Site/ Waste-Related Activities; to urge and support full funding; state/local efforts to clean Sen. Nancy Schaefer (50 th) Natural Resources and the Environment Committee – 02/13/06
SR 839	Days of Remembrance; memorializing 1906 Atlanta Race Riot; recognize September 22-25, 2006 Sens. Vincent Fort (39th); Horacena Tate (38th); Emanuel Jones (10th) and Kasim Reed (35th) Rules Committee – 02/13/06
SR 840	Davis, Jonathan Edward; Eagle Scout; commend Sen. Ronnie Chance (16 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06

SR 841	Irvin, Mason; Eagle Scout; commend Sen. Ronnie Chance (16 th) <i>Read and Adopted — 02/13/06</i>
SR 842	Georgia 4-H; recognize Sens. Joseph Carter (13 th) and Brian Kemp (46 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/13/06</i>
SR 843	Lucas, Sr., Army Specialist Joseph Alan; condolences Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/13/06</i>
SR 844	Bluegrass Music Week in Georgia; recognize Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) Rules Committee – 02/13/06
SR 845	Pittman, Jr.; Mr. U. H.; condolences Sen. Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24 th) Read and Adopted – 02/13/06
SR 846	Harshbarger, Miss Blair; commend Sen. Johnny Grant (25 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/13/06</i>
SR 847	Anderson, Lucy Gilmer; condolences Sen. John Douglas (17 th) Read and Adopted – 02/14/06
SR 848	Antonine J. Holt Memorial Bridge; dedicating Sens. John Wiles (37 th); Chip Rogers (21 st); Judson Hill (32 nd); Doug Stoner (6 th) and Steve Thompson (33 rd) <i>Transportation Committee</i> – 02/14/06
SR 849	Kimberly Boyd Memorial Bridge; dedicating Sens. John Wiles (37 th); Chip Rogers (21 st); Judson Hill (32 nd); Doug Stoner (6 th) and Steve Thompson (33 rd) <i>Transportation Committee</i> – 02/14/06
SR 850	Outstanding Young Farm Family; commend Sen. Tommie Williams (19 th) <i>Read and Adopted — 02/14/06</i>
SR 851	McKenzie, Charlie and Mary Ellen; commend Sen. Tommie Williams (19 th) Read and Adopted – 02/14/06
SR 852	Morris, Donnie; commend Sen. Tommie Williams (19 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/14/06</i>
SR 853	Hospital Health Care Standards Commission; create Sens. Judson Hill (32 nd); Renee Unterman (45 th); Horacena Tate (38 th); Don Thomas (54 th) and Greg Goggans (7 th) Health and Human Services Committee – 02/14/06
SR 854	White, Ms. Myrna May; congratulate Sens. Valencia Seay (34 th); Kasim Reed (35 th); Steen Miles (43 rd); Terrell Starr (44 th); Horacena Tate (38 th) and Robert Brown (26 th) <i>Read and Adopted</i> – 02/14/06

SR 855	Dixon Grove Baptist Church; congratulate Sens. Valencia Seay (34 th); Steen Miles (43 rd); Terrell Starr (44 th); Horacena Tate (38 th) and Robert Brown (26 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/14/06</i>
SR 856	Heard, Jr., Mr. William T.; recognize Sens. Seth Harp (29 th); George Hooks (14 th); Tommie Williams (19 th); Don Balfour (9 th) and Eric Johnson (1 st) Read and Adopted – 02/14/06
SR 857	National Guard Day; recognize February 22, 2006 Sens. John Douglas (17 th); Eric Johnson (1 st); John Wiles (37 th); Jack Hill (4 th); Tommie Williams (19 th); Cecil Staton (18 th) and others <i>Read and Adopted – 02/14/06</i>
SR 858	Evans, Sr., Bishop Dr. Robert Lee; commend Sen. Emanuel Jones (10 th) Read and Adopted – 02/14/06
SR 859	Evans, Kathy; commend Sen. Casey Cagle (49 th) Read and Adopted – 02/15/06
SR 860	Leadership Forsyth; recognize Sens. Casey Cagle (49 th); Bill Stephens (27 th) and Chip Pearson (51 st) Read and Adopted – 02/15/06
SR 861	Sanford III, Mr. Porter; Sen. Steen Miles (43 rd); Emanuel Jones (10 th); Curt Thompson (5 th); David Adelman (42 nd); Steve Henson (41 st); Dan Weber (40 th) and others $Read\ and\ Adopted-02/15/06$
SR 862	CA: State General Obligation Debt; lower debt ceiling Sens. Tim Golden (8 th); George Hooks (14 th); Terrell Starr (44 th); Robert Brown (26 th); David Adelman (42 nd) and Doug Stoner (6 th) <i>Read and Adopted</i> – 02/15/06
SR 863	Dental Hygienists' Appreciation Day; recognize February 26, 2006 Sen. Gloria Butler (55 th) Read and Adopted – 02/15/06
SR 864	SGT Mike Stokely Memorial Highway; dedicating Sens. John Douglas (17 th) and Ralph Hudgens (47 th) <i>Transportation Committee</i> – 02/15/06
SR 865	Nuclear Power Plants; urge electric utilities to build new plants in Georgia Sens. Mitch Seabaugh (28th); Eric Johnson (1st); Tommie Williams (19th); Tim Golden (8th) and Emanuel Jones (10th) Reg. Read and Adopted – 02/15/06
SR 866	Tourism Industry in Georgia; commend Sens. Jeff Mullis (53 rd); Sam Zamarripa (36 th); Curt Thompson (5 th); George Hooks (14 th); Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th); Chip Rogers (21 st) and others <i>Read and Adopted</i> – 02/15/06
SR 867	Neal, Deputy Patrick; commend Sens. Jack Hill (4 th); Brian Kemp (46 th); Bill Stephens (27 th) and Chip Rogers (21 st) Read and Adopted – 02/15/06

SR 868	Corpe, Dr. Raymond F.; commend Sens. Preston Smith (52^{nd}) and Don Thomas (54^{th}) Read and Adopted $-02/15/06$
SR 869	CA: Peace Officers/Firefighters; authorize governing body; homestead exemption Sen. Kasim Reed (35 th) Finance Committee – 02/15/06
SR 870	CA: Teachers; authorize governing body; homestead exemption; ad valorem Sen. Kasim Reed (35^{th}) Read and Adopted – $02/15/06$
SR 871	Fulton County Industrial District; repeal amendment; prohibit governing authority from levying any tax for educational purposes Sen. Kasim Reed (35 th) Finance Committee – 02/15/06
SR 872	Georgia Foundation for Independent Colleges, Inc.; congratulate Sens. Seth Harp (29 th); Tim Golden (8 th); Cecil Staton (18 th) and Ronnie Chance (16 th) <i>Read and Adopted – 02/15/06</i>
Senate B. SB 525	<u>ills:</u> Tax Executions; change provisions regarding issuance; definition; procedures Sen. Tommie Williams (19 th)
	Finance Committee – 02/09/06
SB 526	General Assembly; internet website; create; provide for content/capabilities Sen. Curt Thompson (5^{th}) Rules Committee $-$ 02/09/06
SB 527	Appellate Practice; filing notice of appeal; temporary protective order under 19 13-01; supersedeas such order Sen. Curt Thompson (5^{th}) Judiciary Committee – $02/09/06$
SB 528	Family Violence; filing of notice of appeal; temporary protective order Sen. Curt Thompson (5^{th}) <i>Judiciary Committee</i> $-02/09/06$
SB 529	Georgia Security/Immigration Compliance Act; persons who are not lawfully present in the U.S.; comprehensive regulation Sen. Chip Rogers (21st); Bill Hamrick (30th); John Douglas (17th);

Nancy Schaefer (50th); Mitch Seabaugh (28th); Greg Goggans (7th) and others Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee - 02/09/06

SB 530 Property; liens; change provisions; conditions; value Sens. Dan Weber (40th) and Mitch Seabaugh (28th) *Judiciary Committee – 02/09/06*

SB 531 Motor Vehicle Liability Policies; uninsured motorist coverage; change certain provisions Sens. Chip Rogers (21st); Ralph Hudgens (47th) and Jeff Chapman (3rd) *Insurance and Labor Committee – 02/13/06*

SB 532	United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; enhance the protection of licensed facilities Sens. Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24th); Tommie Williams (19th);
	Greg Goggans (7 th); Mitch Seabaugh (28 th); Chip Rogers (21 st); John Douglas (17 th) and others <i>Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee</i> – 02/13/06
SB 533	Statutory Living Will Form; revise Sens. John Bulloch (11 th); Preston Smith (52 nd) and Bill Hamrick (30 th) <i>Judiciary Committee</i> – 02/13/06
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SB 535	Pawnbrokers; define terms; require registration with Governor's Office of Consumer Affairs; motor vehicle title pawn tickets Sens. Bill Hamrick (30 th); Steen Miles (43 rd); Ralph Hudgens (47 th); John Bulloch (11 th) and Mitch Seabaugh (28 th) <i>Banking and Financial Institutions Committee</i> – 02/13/06
SB 536	Community Health, Dept; provide annual report relating to employers; state funded health care program Sens. Steen Miles (43 rd) and Emanuel Jones (10 th) <i>Insurance and Labor Committee</i> – $02/13/06$
SB 537	Search for the Cure Act; definitions; prohibitions regard to cloning/sale of tissues; provide for review board; membership; duties Sens. David Adelman (42 nd); Robert Brown (26 th); Tim Golden (8 th); Doug Stoner (6 th); Valencia Seay (34 th) and Curt Thompson (5 th) Health and Human Services Committee – 02/13/06
SB 538	License Plates, Special; supporting Global War on Terrorism and Iraqi Freedom; provide issuance; renewal; fees Sen. John Douglas (17 th) Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee – 02/13/06
SB 539	License Plates, Special; supporting Global War on Terrorism and Operation Enduring Freedom; provide issuance; renewal; fees Sen. John Douglas (17 th) Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee – 02/13/06
SB 540	License, Plates; prestige; promoting our nation's heritage in Georgia; provide for issuance; renewal Sens. Cecil Staton (18 th); John Douglas (17 th); Jim Whitehead, Sr . (24 th); Greg Goggans (7 th); John Wiles (37 th); Jack Hill (4 th) and others <i>Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee</i> – 02/14/06
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SB 546	Rules of the Road; drivers' exercise of due care; mobile telephones; penalties Sen. Horacena Tate (38^{th}) Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee – $02/15/06$
SB 547	Real Estate Appraisers; conflict of interest exists; provide recusal of board members; provide circumstances for removal Sens. Mitch Seabaugh (28th); Casey Cagle (49th); Eric Johnson (1st); Tommie Williams (19th) and Bill Stephens (27th) Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee – 02/15/06
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SB 551	Ad Valorem Taxes; homestead exemption; unremarried surviving spouse of peace officer; qualifications; provide procedures Sens. Kasim Reed (35 th); Don Balfour (9 th); J.B. Powell (23 rd) and Jim Whitehead, Sr. (24 th) <i>Finance Committee</i> – 02/15/06
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